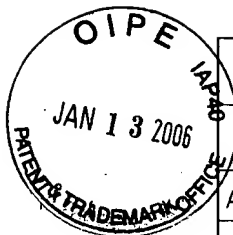


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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Further to our Reply filed December 15, 2005, and in response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2005, the period for response being extended three (3) months to January 15, 2006 per the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

This Reply includes:

claim amendments; and

Remarks.